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C O N F I D E N T I A L MONROVIA 3529

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PEPR, LI, CG

SUBJECT: GOL CONCERN OVER SHABA SITUATION

REF: MONROVIA 2377

1. FONMIN CALLED AMBASSADOR TO MINISTRY TODAY TO INDICATE PRESIDENT TOLBERT'S CONCERN OVER DEVELOPMENTS IN ZAIRE OVER THE WEEKEND. FONMIN DENNIS SAID THAT TOLBERT WISHES TO SPEAK TO AMBASSADOR ON URGENT BASIS AT 1000 HOURS LOCAL TUESDAY, 16 MAY ON SUBJECT.

2. DENNIS SAID TOLBERT PARTICULARLY CONCERNED IN VIEW MOBUTU'S HAVING SOUGHT GOL INTERVENTION WITH USG ON THIS BROAD SUBJECT JUST PRIOR TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S VISIT TO MONROVIA IN APRIL.

3. DEPT WILL RECALL THAT PRESIDENT TOLBERT WROTE TO PRESIDENT CARTER ON 30 MARCH SAYING THAT ACCORDING TO MOBUTU "...CUBANS ARE PRACTICALLY IN ALL COUNTRIES WITHIN THE REGION...AND BECAUSE THE ZAIRIAN LEADER IS DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE SITUATION HE IS HIGHLY INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHAT THE US THINKS OF IT AND WHAT MIGHT BE THE CURRENT ATTITUDE OF YOUR GOVT TOWARDS THIS MATTER."

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4. ACTION REQUESTED: IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF DEPT COULD PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH A SITREP UPDATE BY COB WASHINGTON TIME TODAY MONDAY, 15 MAY AND ANY GUIDANCE AMBASSADOR COULD USE IN TUESDAY, A.M. MEETING WITH TOLBERT. CARTER

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